

District 180 News

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Priority Schools Making Headlines

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"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young." – Henry Ford

College Signing Day at **Dayton High School** –

http://nky.cincinnati.com/article/AB/20130329/NEWS0103/303290089/?nclick_check=1

Dayton's principal, **Rick Wolf**, was also chosen as "Best Boss" in Campbell County through a local newspaper program –

<http://www.ksba.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6G3UB20&dasi=3UBI>

Newport Independent High School students' art displayed at Monmouth Street Antique Gallery –

<http://www.ksba.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6G3AA3I&dasi=3UBI>

Summer enrichment program to help prepare more students for college and careers offered this June at **East Carter High School** –

<http://dailyindependent.com/local/x2094914375/East-Carter-to-offer-science-and-math-program>

Despite an urban setting, the agriculture program at **Seneca High School**, which is the only one of its kind in Jefferson County, is growing –

<http://www.ksba.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6G30AP2&dasi=3UBI>

Turnaround efforts at **Waggener High School** –

<http://mycn2.com/politics/low-academic-performance-and-bad-reputation-makes-jefferson-county-school-work-to-make-improvements>

Turnaround efforts at **Southern High School** –

<http://mycn2.com/politics/tired-of-failing-jefferson-co-school-trying-new-programs-tutoring-and-teacher-training-to-turn-it-around>

Lincoln County High School librarian and students create Quick Response codes for books, enabling others to use smartphones to find resources –

<http://www.ksba.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6G3UYAI&dasi=3UBI>

Regular classroom observations part of turnaround efforts at **Greenup County High School**; non-educators invited in to see improvement work taking place –

<http://www.ksba.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6G3UP02&dasi=3UBI>

District 180 New Staff

***Welcome Tara and
Donna!***

Tara Rodriguez became the District 180 Branch Manager on April 1. Prior to her current position, she spent two years working with digital learning at KDE. Tara taught high school chemistry and Spanish for 17 years. In her free time, she likes to garden and spend time with her family. Tara is very excited to begin working with District 180 and the Priority Schools.



Donna Davis joined District 180 on March 1 as a Program Consultant. She taught elementary school for 16 years prior to joining KDE. Donna is a National Board Certified teacher as a Middle Childhood Generalist. In her free time she enjoys reading, baking, and spending time with family, pets, and friends. Donna is excited to be part of District 180 and looks forward to getting to know everyone!



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PGES Reminders

Everyone should have access to the Teachscape/Proficiency system. Please let Jason know if you do not have access or are having trouble. This will prepare you for the areas you will observe teachers on - Instruction and Environment Domains.

Remember, Soft Roll-Out + Teachscape/Proficiency System = Strong June Training!

If there is a piece in the Soft Roll-Out or Proficiency System that is not addressed or completed, then June will not be ALL that it can be for the respective stakeholders. We expect principals to attend the June Training having completed all 11 modules. There are two tests that will take approximately 3 hours each. You have two chances to pass the test, and you will NEED to be successful on your second attempt! If you watch all 11 modules (Proficiency System) and attend the June Training, you should be well-prepared to take the tests on your own after the face-to-face training is complete.

We will be sending out reminders about usage and time spent in the Proficiency System through June. The goal is:

By May 15: 10-14 hours

By June 10/June 17th: 15-20 hours

The training is June 17-20 in Lexington.

Leadership Assessment/Diagnostic Review Surveys

District 180 has distributed a survey to all stakeholders (Cohort 2) involved with Leadership Assessments/Diagnostic Reviews in order to collect perception data. We will be using data from this survey as part of our PDSA. Your responses will be appreciated and help us greatly!



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Online Resources

Priority Work in a Nutshell

This 19-minute webinar presented by Susan Allred provides an overview of priority work. Topics include an explanation of priority status, models for turnaround, roles of ER teams and the quality tools they use, and measuring effectiveness.

School Improvement Planning for ASSIST Webex

In this 12-minute webinar, Ginger Kinnard gives an overview of ASSIST and provides contact information for questions about the tool and what's new in ASSIST for 2013-2014. She also discusses what is required in a CSIP/CDIP and the resources that can help in crafting these plans.

How To Create Progress Notes in ASSIST

Progress notes are due in ASSIST by June 15. To assist priority schools with this task, Ginger Kinnard navigates a CSIP in ASSIST and explains step-by-step how to create the progress notes. This webinar is 10 minutes long.



June 10-13	PGES Training for JCPS Priority Schools in Louisville (location TBD)
June 17-20	PGES Training for Eastern region, Western region, and Trimble County at Embassy Suites in Lexington